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SUBJECT: GOS REQUEST FOR AUTHORIZATION TO PURCHASE
AMERICAN RIFLES

REF: MBABANE 492

1. STERLING ARMAMENTS LTD (UK) MANUFACTURES AR-18 RIFLE UNDER LICENSING AGREEMENT WITH US ARMS COMPANY, ARMALITE, WHICH HOLDS PATENT. AUTHORIZATION BY DEPARTMENT'S OFFICE OF MUNITIONS CONTROL IS THEREFORE NECESSARY FOR SALE OF RIFLES TO GOS BY STERLING AS DESCRIBED IN REFTEL. STERLING SHOULD ASK ARMALITE TO SUBMIT REQUEST FOR EXPORT LICENSE TO DEPARTMENT IN STANDARD FORMAT (WITH WHICH ARMALITE FAMILIAR). ARMALITE MAY, IF IT WISHES, OBTAIN PRELIMINARY OPINION FROM DEPARTMENT AS TO CONFIDENTIAL

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LIKELIHOOD OF EXPORT LICENSE BEING GRANTED. NO DIRECT GOS-USG TRANSACTION IS NECESSARY AND EMBASSY SHOULD MAKE CLEAR THAT IT IS PROVIDING INFORMATION ON STANDARD PROCEDURES FOR APPROVAL OF SMALL-ARMS EXPORTS RATHER THAN FACILITATING SALE.

2. FOR POST'S INFORMATION, DEPARTMENT PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION TO PROPOSED SALE, BUT FINAL DECISION CAN BE MADE ONLY ON RECEIPT OF REQUEST BY ARMALITE. VANCE

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